

# VANGUARD OF TULSA WESTERN LEAGUE BASEBALL CLUB ARRIVES

## THREE VETERANS IN FIRST SQUAD

Captain Meyer, John Wuffli and B. W. Cleveland Are Ready for Play

## RECRUIT PITCHERS REPORT

S. P. Johnson and Lefty Allen Both Tower Six Feet in Height.

(By LARRY DAILEY.)

Three veterans and two recruits formed the vanguard of the out-of-town members of the Tulsa Western league baseball club which arrived in Tulsa yesterday. The veterans were Captain Meyer, John Wuffli and B. W. Cleveland, pitchers. S. P. Johnson and Lefty Allen, pitchers, were the new recruits. As practically every man in the first time, the fans will have to get acquainted with the last year's Tulsa Western regulars as well as the rookies. Captain Meyer is possibly the best known to Tulsa fans. He was with the Brooklyn Robins (then the Dodgers) for two seasons and also was International league pitcher. He is considered one of the hardest hitters in the minor leagues.

## Vets Are Star Pitchers

Wuffli and Cleveland are about the same size. Both are husky chaps, fast and consistent fielders and dangerous with the stick. Cleveland had a trial with the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1916 and is considered one of the best pitchers in the league. Wuffli is a right-hander, but better known as a left-hander. He is a good pitcher, where his ground covering ability and sureness in handling ground balls makes him especially valuable. Allen will be remembered by Tulsa fans as a member of the Western league company team here two years ago. He has every requisite for a winning pitcher. He stands six feet four inches in height to government measure and weighs 170 pounds. He is a southpaw, with a great speed ball.

## Johnson a War Hero

Johnson is one of the many soldier-athletes on the roster. He returned a month ago from France where he spent six months in the service. Two of his brothers, Al and Ben, were members of the 5th artillery and during his time spent on the battle front engaged in many thrilling adventures. Johnson is only 20 years of age, is six feet tall and weighs 170 lbs. He is a right-handed pitcher and had brief professional experience with the Tulsa club of the Central and Three-I leagues. He is touted as being a speedy and reliable fielder and a dangerous hitter. He is a left-handed thrower and batter. Flagg has played semi-professional ball around Tulsa several years and was considered one of the most promising infielders in the city. He is good at any position in the infield.

## Sparks Back in Game

Sparks had several offers from various organized baseball clubs last season, but declined them. He has also played semi-pro ball in this city. The remainder of the club is expected to arrive in Tulsa today. Training will start at 10 a. m. at the stadium. The club will be continued in the following city until the exhibition games with the Kansas City Blues are Saturday and Sunday. The exhibition games are to be played at 10 o'clock. Abbott has announced a change in training plans. The players will leave here on the 12 o'clock car and confine their workouts to the afternoon instead of starting at 10 a. m.

## Brokaw's Bats Here

Hal Brokaw, first baseman, has not yet reported but is expected in Tulsa. A consignment of bats sufficient to keep an ordinary minor league team supplied for a season arrived several days ago. Brokaw sent word that he would follow the sticks into town. Local fans who have not seen the new park at Tenth and Elgin streets should take a half hour and look it over. The stands are rapidly nearing completion and there is no doubt now but that they will be ready by next Saturday and Sunday. Work on the grounds has been in progress and the infield is now in splendid condition for play. Infielders should wear masks and shin guards on that diamond. It is as hard and smooth as a billiard ball and will make fast inner defense men to cut down hits and fast men to beat them out.

## MANAGER SAYS HARRY GREB IS LIGHT HEAVY CHAMPION

PITTSBURGH, March 31.—James Mason, manager of Harry Greb, light-heavyweight, has laid claim to the world's light-heavyweight championship for Greb, and also announced Greb would continue to seek the world's title in the middleweight class. Greb still can make 155 pounds for a title contest and rights at about 155 pounds at this weight. He has been compelled to fight light-heavyweights and heavyweights during the last year because of lack of suitable opponents in his own class. Greb has beaten Harry Levinson and Jack Britton, former champions of the light-heavyweight title. Greb fights Billy Miske here next Monday.

## Scott Out of Majors

Jim Scott will pitch next summer for the club representing the Fairbanks-Morse company of Beldie, Wis. Several other former major leaguers are with the same club.

## Reorganize Central League

The Central baseball league is going to be reorganized before the season opens. It may be known as the Midwest league next summer.

## MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Brings About a Reconciliation Between Sir Sidney and Mutt

—By Bud Fisher.



## BILLY MISKE TO BATTLE LEVINSKY

Light Heavyweights Meet in Championship Scrap on April 11.

## BRITTON-LAUGHLIN LATER

Champion Welterweight Is to Meet Local Favorite in Bout This Month

A win against last night from New York from John Holsier, promoter of the Tulsa sporting club, announces that Billy Miske and Lefty Levinson have been matched to box here April 11 for the light heavyweight championship of the world. The bout is to go 15 rounds. Also Miske, manager of Levinson, and also pilot of Jack Britton, world's welterweight champion, posted a forfeit of \$500 for Levinson's appearance, according to Holsier. Britton will box K. O. Laughlin here shortly, following the championship scrap with Jack Malone at St. Paul, April 4, and Bryan Downey at Canton, April 7.

The appearance here of Miske will be greeted with delight by local boxing fans who saw him stop Jim Flynn in the second round last winter. Miske is a great favorite in Tulsa and one of the leading heavyweights in the game. Levinson, following Cowley's knockout at the hands of Miske a few days ago, is considered one of the leading claimants to the light heavy crown.

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## The Races

### HOT SPRINGS RESULTS.

#### First Race, 3 1/2 Furlongs.

Zone Darnes, 115 (Connolly) first; Candel, 112 (Kirschbaum) second; Lady Patana, 112 (Growth) third. Time 1:21.

#### Second Race, 3 Furlongs.

Hamm, 115 (Growth) first; Tom Cat, 112 (Connolly) second; Cobalt, 107 (Collett) third. Time 1:21 2-5.

#### Third Race, 3 1/2 Furlongs.

Court Galt, 108 (Rowan) first; Discussion, 112 (Connolly) second; Baggie, 116 (Haynes) third. Time 1:27 3-5.

#### Fourth Race.

Extremator, 122 (Haynes) first; Elima Thule, 114 (Johnson) second; A. N. Allen, 103 (Willis) third. Time 1:12 4-5.

#### Fifth Race, Mile and 70 Yards.

Sir Wm. Johnson, 108 (Stalker) first; Luke Mac, 108 (Stalker) second; Verna B, 102 (Carroll) third. Time 1:47 2-5.

#### Sixth Race.

Kenward, 112 (Barrett) first; Eology, 105 (Brown) second; Cain Springs, 87 (Swartz) third. Time 1:46 4-5.

#### TODAY'S ENTRIES.

##### First Race, 4 Furlongs.

Nellie Wilver, 109, 95; Mankin, 109, 100; Emma Wells, 102, 102; Oscar T. Way, 102, 102; Double Wm, 102, 102; Bobby Allen, 102, 102; Annabelle, 102, 102; Rainbow Division, 110, 110.

##### Second Race, 6 Furlongs.

Yvette, 102, 102; Revolution, 102, 102; Scrap Lady, 102, 102; War Garden, 102, 102; Tom Brooks, 102, 102; Gay, 102, 102; Cock The Main, 102, 102; Cromwell, 102, 102; Madrid, 110, 110.

##### Third Race, One Mile.

Byrne, 93, 93; Tyrann, 89, 89; Gourmand, 102, 102; Freda Johnson, 104, 104; M. Bert Thurnan, 104, 104; Libby Star, 104, 104; Strike Breaker, 104, 104; Kevner, 104, 104; Barbara Shilling, 104, 104; Sir Doyle, 104, 104; Upright, 104, 104; Sun Flash, 104, 104; Laborator, 104, 104; Onwa, 104, 104.

##### Fourth Race, 1 1/4-16 Miles.

Gray Eagle, 104, 104; Obolus, 104, 104; Harvest King, 104, 104; Slippery Elm, 104, 104.

##### Fifth Race, 6 Furlongs.

Bob A, 105, 105; Jack O. Bowd, 104, 104; Mand Itacon, 104, 104; Blue Paradise, 104, 104; Water War, 104, 104; Poloma, 104, 104; Orderly, 104, 104; Scarpia, 104, 104; Willie B, 104, 104; Arthur Middleton, 104, 104; Port Light, 104, 104; Lady Patty, 104, 104; H. L. Beach, 104, 104; Lady Small, 104, 104.

##### Sixth Race, 1 3/4-16 Miles.

Hickory Nut, 98, 98; Walter Dant, 103, 103; Miss Wells, 103, 103; Aztec, 103, 103; Water Proof, 103, 103; Thanksgiving, 103, 103; Will Do, 103, 103; Duke of Shelby, 103, 103; Pete of Phoenix, 113, 113.

##### PETE HERMAN BACK HOME; MAY BOX PURYEAR HERE

Pete Herman, bantam champion of the world, returned in New Orleans Tuesday morning after a rather hasty trip abroad. Since he departed Herman had three contests and press reports from each battle indicated his opponent had the shade. Herman's first contest on his last trip was in Cleveland with Jack Wolfe and boxing critics said the Bronx City boy outpointed the titleholder. Al Shubert was credited with having an edge on Herman and last night in Memphis his rival of preliminary days, Pat Moore, was credited with winning from him in eight rounds. A battle with Earl Puryear in this city is said to be next on the program. The champion will then go back to Philadelphia, the town he says he has adopted as his second home.

## ST. JOE MAY RETAIN WESTERN FRANCHISE

St. Joseph Fans and St. Louis Man Will Probably Purchase Hamilton's Interests for \$14,000.

ST. JOSEPH, March 31.—A deal is pending which may result in having a team in the Western league this season after all. Two local men who prefer not to be named at present and a St. Louis man wired E. J. Hanlon at Chicago last night requesting that he come here early this week for a conference concerning the sale of his interests. Hanlon replied that he could be here Wednesday. It is now said that Hanlon's price of \$14,000 probably will be accepted if the deal, Major Whitehead and C. L. Faust are expected to be financially interested in the enterprise.

Francis Blair, who has been one of the local supporters of league baseball in St. Joseph since the days of the first league team here, received the following telegram from Frank Isbell Saturday:

"Hate awfully to see St. Joseph out of the league if there is anything for the league can do to help, we men and I will give you all the assistance I can muster up. Don't let it get away. Go to the front if there is any chance and the league will get behind you."

With this promise of support from the league the men who are to meet Hanlon feel sure that the baseball proposition can be put across, and it is believed to be likely that good news will be forthcoming Wednesday.

## RED DOLAN HOME AFTER DRAWING WITH BROCK

NEW ORLEANS, March 31.—Raymond Dolan, familiarly known as "Raymond the Red," or "Sunburst Dolan," returned to his native home ready to declare war on all 130-pounders. Red returned to the city Tuesday morning from Memphis with Bantam Champion Pete Herman and young George Chaney, of New Orleans.

After an absence from the ring for almost two years, Dolan staged his comeback in Hot Springs two weeks ago. He picked up his opponent the tough little customer, Matt Brock, and fought Brock to a draw. The spectators thought Dolan was the winner, and quite a howl was made. Ford has reached the city that boxing has been suspended temporarily at the spa because of the ill feeling against the draw verdict.

## 224 Contestants Entered in Amateur Golf Tourney

PINEHURST, N. C., March 31.—With a record-breaking field of 224 contestants entered, the first 18 holes in the 36-hole qualifying round of the North and South amateur championship golf tournament were played today at Pinehurst.

Edward Styler of the Washington Golf club, turned in a score of 76 on the different number 3 course while James D. Standish of Detroit, followed with a 78 on number 2 course.

## John Granger Is Ill; Disappoints Pin Fans

TOLEDO, Ohio, March 31.—The feature of the American Bowling congress tournament for today was disappointed with a large gallery was disappointed when John Granger (Chicago), failed to appear in his doubles and singles events.

It was announced by officials that Granger was taken ill, but that he would bowl tomorrow if his condition improved.

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## Daily Dope

By Larry Dailey.

Baseball fans, with deep interest in the game and local bugs in particular will be glad to hear of the retaining of the St. Joseph franchise. The Missouri bug is too good a baseball town to stay out of organized baseball and now with a new deal assured them should come through as in the days before Jack Holland and Ed Hanlon almost wrecked the game there by their syndicate stuff.

With the seven other cities in the circuit, the Western league is in splendid condition, in fact its prospects are bright. In fact, the uncertainty at St. Joe was irritating to those who look for the greatest year in baseball. St. Joseph fans have proved they are like wires and with home control, an absolute essential in the conducting of baseball, will undoubtedly restore the old sport to its former footing in that city.

Stay in St. Joe. We're for you!

There's a romance connected with Lefty Allen, recruit pitcher of the Tulsa baseball club. It was disclosed yesterday by friends of the big hurler, who knew him when he pitched for the Couden team here. A sweet little girl has promised Allen to become his bride—with two provisions. One is that he make good here; the other that if he fails, he will retire to his farm in Kansas.

Here's luck Lefty!

Officials of the Tulsa baseball club are becoming worried over the non-appearance of Hal Brokaw, first baseman. Brokaw sent his bag in several days ago and when a ball player is separated from his willows over a day there must be something wrong.

There'll be no alibi if infielders miss a hop on the diamond at the local Western league club's new home at Tenth and Elgin. There isn't a pebble inside the park.

This Lefty Allen looks like a white horse. Six feet four inches tall and weighing 150 pounds, broad shouldered and powerfully built, he looks as though he could follow the ring profession with success.

Bill Clymer Paid \$6,000.

Bill Clymer, it is reported, will draw a salary of \$6,000 for managing the Seattle club this year. This figure is unusually high for minor league pilots, but the Seattle promoters believe "Derby Day Bill" is worth the price.

Inter-League Series Planned.

The Braves and Tigers will play nine exhibition games on their way north. The clubs will part company on April 16.

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## FEDERAL TEST I WONY TO BE COMPLETED TODAY

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Testimony for the Baltimore Federal league baseball club, in its suit for damages against the American and National leagues and a certain former officers of the Federal league, will be completed tomorrow. This announcement was made today after a number of players and former directors of the Baltimore club had taken the stand.

Edward Hanlon, Harry H. (Mike) Mowry and Clarence (Doc) Russell, all former players on the Baltimore team, testified regarding their contracts and told of being shifted from club to club by the organized interests and how they were held by the reserve clauses in their contracts. John J. Paley, Otto S. Sanderson, David Landreth, E. W. Felt and George Schlemmer, former directors, told the jury of their connection with the Baltimore club. All said they had never heard of any action being taken providing negotiation with organized baseball interests for a franchise. It is expected the case will be concluded before the end of the week.

## Cadillac Quintet Wins From Franklin Cagers

Displaying superior teamwork, the Cadillac five won from the Franklin quintet in the Boys' Community basketball league last night, 13 to 2. The shooting of Robertson and M. Ellison featured. The lineup: Franklin—Simmons, Irwin, Howard, Jordan, McDermott. Cadillac—Robertson, Hendon, M. Ellison, H. Ellison, Ellington, Thompson. Schedule for Friday: Hugmobile vs. Red; Winton Six vs. Marmion.

## Jackey Club Founder Dies

EL PASO, March 31.—A telegram was received today announcing the death at Santa Monica, California, of William H. Fenchler, treasurer, and one of the founders of the Jockey club, Juarez, Mexico. He had been ill several years and went to California recently.

## Pal Moore to Box Herman

BALTIMORE, Wis., March 31.—Announcement was made here today that the auditorium athletic club had matched Pal Moore and Pekin Kid Herman to box ten rounds on April 10.

## TOMMY DALY TO BATTLE YOUNG DENNY APRIL 11

Tommy Daly, St. Louis and Tulsa welterweight, who several months ago was considered one of the most promising 145-pound boys in the game, has been matched to meet Young Denny, conqueror of Hobby Waught at Fort Worth April 11. Daly will make 145 pounds for the scrap, but does not anticipate much difficulty in getting under that mark. He has been taking light work ever since he announced his return to the game a few weeks ago, and worked last week-end with Yarchan, the light heavyweight, who boxes Texas Tate at Fort Worth Friday night.

## Funeral of Miss Mott

Miss Mildred Ruth Mott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Mott, died in Clayton, N. M., on March 28, where she had gone several months ago for her health. The body was brought to Tulsa for burial last evening. She was the only child. Funeral services will be held at the residence, 1516 Admiral boulevard, tomorrow at ten o'clock and interment will be made at Rose Hill cemetery.

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